

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant :	M. Samy Abdou	Art Unit :	3733
Serial No. :	10/825,916	Examiner :	Michael J. Araj
Filed :	April 15, 2004	Conf. No. :	8930
Title :	BONE FIXATION SYSTEM AND METHOD OF IMPLANTATION		

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Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
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TRANSMITTAL LETTER AND PETITION FOR AUTOMATIC EXTENSION

Correspondence relating to this application is enclosed. The required fees are computed below. Please apply any charges not covered, or any credits, to Deposit Account No. 06-1050.

Total Claims	25	-	21	=	4	\$100
Independent	6	-	5	=	1	\$100
First Presentation of Multiple Dependent Claims						\$0

**Applicant hereby petitions under 37 C.F.R. §1.136 for a 1 month extension of time.**

\$60


TOTAL FEE DUE

\$260

A check for \$260 is attached.

Respectfully submitted,

Date: March 19, 2007

  
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